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**Provo's Mary Ann Clark,**

# **105, Has Watched History**

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PROVO — Mary Ann Brown Clark lived through the star-spangled events that make a nation's history great. She is 105 years of age.

When she was born, July 7, 1859, Lincoln's voice was foreshadowing the oncoming Civil War with, "I believe this government cannot endure half slave and half free."

Utah was still a territory with Gov. Alfred Cummings at the helm. Only a few miles from Lehi, where Mary Ann was born, General Albert Sidney Johnston and his troops were waiting out the "Utah War" at Camp Floyd.

#### **Awaits Birthday**

Pioneers were still crossing the plains to join the Mormon settlements. Brigham Young, the modern day Moses, was helping his people colonize the far reaches of Utah Territory. Stagecoaches brought news and mail.

Mary Ann Brown Clark is "very tired now" as she awaits her 105th birthday. She remains alert and able to visit with family members at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. C. (Laura) Clark, 376 North 400 East, Provo. Others attending a quiet family celebration Tuesday will be daughters Mrs. Thomas (Amy) Sevy, Panguitch; Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Pace, Twin Falls, Idaho; Mrs. David (Zella) Adamson, Provo; Albert D. Clark, Orem.

#### **Voted Since 1880**

Mary Ann is a daughter of John and Amy Snyder Brown, Lehi pioneers. Her father was captain of the Thirteenth Ten in the original pioneer company which, under the leadership of President Brigham Young, made the march across the plains.

The year Mary Ann was born another John Brown was making history. He was the John Brown who entered the village at Harpers Ferry and seized the U.S. arsenal.

President James Buchanan was in office. That was 22 presidents ago. Mrs. Clark has voted in every presidential election since 1880 and thinks it not improbable that she might vote again in 1964.

She recalls incidents of the

Blackhawk War, the driving of the golden spike at Promontory and other highlights of Utah history.

Exciting things are still happening. Last year, Richard Saxon was born making Mary Ann the senior citizen in a family of six living generations. "It's great being a great-great grandmother," she said.

Counting up all the grandchildren and arriving at a figure above 130, Mrs. Clark said, "But don't take figures as final because returns are still coming in."

She has been a widow for 27 years. She married Albert D. Clark Feb. 1, 1879, in the St. George Temple, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He died June 11, 1937.

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999

— 20 —

Of course this isn't correct. To make it correct, you have to cross out six digits above the line so that what remains will add exactly to 20.

**ANSWER:** Cross out all but 11 in the top number, all digits in the second number and all but 9 in the third number.

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Answer to Saturday's Puzzle

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NOT ONLY IS SAMOOS  
TH' BEST EATIN' THAR  
IS—BUT THEY IS SO  
ACCOMMODATIN'...



## THE RYATTS



## KERRY DRAKE



## NANCY



## POGO

